
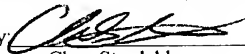


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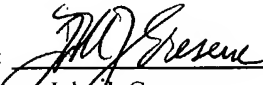
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IN THE ABSTRACT

Insert the attached Abstract page into the application as the last page thereof.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

A courtesy copy of the present specification is enclosed herewith. However, the World Intellectual Property Office (WIPO) copy should be relied upon if it is already in the U.S. Patent Office.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3-7, 9-12 and add claim 13 to read as follows:

3. (AMENDED) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the metal element is mounted in the lamp glass in the vicinity of, particularly above the location of the wick, when burning.
4. (AMENDED) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the holder forms an integral part of the apparatus.
5. (AMENDED) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 2, characterized in that the holder forms an integral part of the lamp glass.
6. (AMENDED) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that at least part of the holder forms part of the heat conducting means.
7. (AMENDED) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the holder is replaceable and that the apparatus is provided with connecting means to connect the holder to the apparatus.
9. (AMENDED) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the holder is provided with a porous wick to transport the active component out of the holder.
10. (AMENDED) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the holder is provided with one or more openings in the upper part thereof via which openings the active component can evaporate.
11. (AMENDED) Combination of an air freshening apparatus according to claim 7 and a holder for an active component, such as a fragrance.
13. (NEW) Air freshening apparatus according to claim 4, characterized in that the holder forms an integral part of the lamp glass.

REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is made to remove multiple dependencies from claims 3-7 and 9-12. It is also made to add claim 13.

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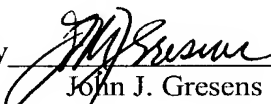
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3. Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1 [or 2], characterized in that the metal element is mounted in the lamp glass in the vicinity of, particularly above the location of the wick, when burning.
4. Air freshening apparatus according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that the holder forms an integral part of the apparatus.
5. Air freshening apparatus according to claim 2 [and 4], characterized in that the holder forms an integral part of the lamp glass.
6. Air freshening apparatus according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that at least part of the holder forms part of the heat conducting means.
7. Air freshening apparatus according to [anyone of the claims 1-3] claim 1, characterized in that the holder is replaceable and that the apparatus is provided with connecting means to connect the holder to the apparatus.
9. Air freshening apparatus according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that the holder is provided with a porous wick to transport the active component out of the holder.
10. Air freshening apparatus according to [any one of the preceding claims 1-8] claim 1, characterized in that the holder is provided with one or more openings in the upper part thereof via which openings the active component can evaporate.
11. Combination of an air freshening apparatus according to claim 7 [or 8] and a holder for an active component, such as a fragrance.

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Title: Air freshening apparatus

The present invention relates to an ~~air-freshening~~
apparatus, comprising a reservoir with a wick, which
reservoir can be filled with a fuel, particularly with lamp
oil and comprising a separate holder for an active component.

5 Such an apparatus is known FR-A-1 139 960 which
discloses an oil lamp having an reservoir for fuel in which a
wick is provided. Above the wick a holder for a fumigation
substance, e.g. to fumigate insects, is provided. The bottom
10 of the holder is directly heated by the hot burning gases
which rise from the flame.

FR-A-2 510 410 discloses a electric lamp bulb with a
holder for perfume. Air, which is heated by the electric lamp
bulb is led to a wick which is placed in the perfume which is
15 in the holder. Consequently, the perfume is evaporated
through the wick more efficiently by the heated air which is
flowing along the wick.

US-A-5 891 400 shows a candle container with a
surrounding open top container for receiving and holding a
gel containing a vaporizable or diffusable substance that
20 passes from the gel into the surrounding atmosphere after
exposure to the thermal energy from the lighted candle.

~~from Dutch patent application NL-A-10.06055. In that~~
discloses an apparatus in which the reservoir is filled with
a mixture of a lamp fuel and an active component, such as a
25 fragrance, which mixture is absorbed by a wick. The upper
part of the wick is surrounded by a heat conducting bushlike
element with openings via which the fragrance evaporates
during burning. A shield is present to prevent the evaporated
fragrance entering into the flame and getting burned.

30 A disadvantage of a mixture of lamp fuel and fragrance
is that the composition of the mixture will not be constant
due to a different evaporating rate and to a certain

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evaporating of the fragrance during the period that the apparatus is not in use, i.e. is not burning.

The purpose of the invention is to improve the known apparatus, particularly with respect to the above
5 disadvantage. Therefore, according to the invention, the air freshening apparatus as described in the preamble is characterized in that the apparatus is an air freshening apparatus further comprising heat conducting means for heat transport from the wick, when burning, to the—a separate
10 holder for thean active component, such as a fragrance, the heat conducting means comprising a metal element which is mounted in the vicinity of the wick at such a distance that, when the wick is burning, the flame heats the metal element.

In a first preferred embodiment the reservoir is
15 provided with a lid holding the wick and with a lamp glass thereabove while in the lamp glass there is mounted a metal element, which forms part of the heat conducting means. In this embodiment the metal element can be mounted in the lamp glass in the vicinity of, particularly above the location of
20 the wick, when burning.

From a constructional point of view the holder can form an integral part of the apparatus. Also the holder can form an integral part of the lamp glass. Further at least part of the holder can form part of the heat conducting means.

25 In a further embodiment the holder is replaceable, while the apparatus is provided with connecting means to connect the holder to the apparatus. In that embodiment at least part of the connecting means or at least part of a contact surface between the holder and the apparatus can form
30 part of the heat conducting means.

The holder can be provided with a porous wick to transport the active component out of the holder. Also the holder can be provided with one or more openings in the upper part thereof via which openings the active component can
35 evaporate. In stead of a porous material, the wick, particularly the wick in the holder, can be formed by a

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capillary element. Further, the holder can also be provided with a liquid permeable closing element, via which the active component is received by a carrier element, which carrier element can form part of the heat conducting means and serves
5 as an evaporator.

The invention not only relates to an air freshening apparatus, but also to a combination of the above described air freshening apparatus and a holder for an active component, such as a fragrance.

10 The invention also relates to a holder for an active component, such as a fragrance, for use in the above described air freshening apparatus.

The invention will now be described with reference to
15 the enclosed drawing, in which:

Fig. 1 shows a first embodiment of the air freshening apparatus according to the invention; and

Fig. 2 shows a second embodiment of such an air freshening apparatus.

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The first embodiment of the apparatus according to the invention as shown in fig. 1 comprises a reservoir 1, which is filled with lamp fuel 2 and is closed by a lid 3. Through an opening in the lid 3 a wick 4 is inserted into the lamp
25 fuel in the reservoir 1. A lamp glass 5 is placed on the top of the lid 3. A separate holder 6, filled with an active component 7, such as a fragrance, is provided. In the embodiment shown, the holder 6 forms an integral part of the lamp glass 5. Through an opening in the upper part of the
30 holder 6 a wick 8 is inserted into the active component 7 in the holder 6. In the lamp glass 5 a metal element 9 is mounted in the vicinity of the wick 4, particularly above the wick 4 at such a distance that, when the wick is burning, the flame heats the metal element 9. Heat conducting means are
35 formed by the metal part 5 and at least part of the contact surface 10 between the holder 6 and the lamp glass 5.

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Particularly, part of the contact surface 10 can be a metal part connected to the metal element 9. When the wick 4 is burning, heat is conducted from the metal element 9 and at least part of the contact surface 10 to the active component 7 in the holder 6, with the consequence that the active component is evaporated via the wick 8.

Fig. 2 shows an embodiment of the apparatus according to the invention, in which a reservoir 11, filled with a lamp fuel 12 is closed by a heat conducting plug 13. Through an opening in the plug 13 a wick 14 is inserted. A separate holder 15, filled with an active component 16, such as a fragrance, is replaceable mounted on a side surface of the reservoir 11, e.g. by clamping means 17. Through the open end of the holder 15 a wick 18 is inserted. The wick 18 reaches out of a bushlike element 19, which is mounted above the opening of the holder 15. The bushlike element 19 is connected is provided with a projection 21, which reaches to above the plug 13 and forms with the plug 13 heat conducting means. When the wick 14 is burning, heat is conducted through the plug 13 and the bushlike element 19 to

the active component 16 in the holder 15, with the consequence that the active component is evaporated via the wick 18. A shield 20 is provided to prevent the evaporated active component entering into the flame and getting burned.

It will be clear that the invention is not restricted to the preferred embodiments shown in the figures. Particularly, it will be clear to the skilled man that many alternatives exist for performing the function of the apparatus discussed. So, the form and size of the reservoir, the holder and the lamp can arbitrarily be chosen. Taking into the heat generated by burning of lamp fuel several, preferably transparent materials can be used; however, the heat conducting means will be of metal.

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Claims

1. ~~Air freshening apparatus,~~ comprising a reservoir with a wick, which reservoir can be filled with a fuel, particularly with lamp oil and comprising a separate holder for an active component, characterized in that the apparatus is an air
5 freshening apparatus further comprising heat conducting means for heat transport from the wick, when burning, to ~~thea~~ separate holder for ~~thea~~n active component, such as a fragrance, the heat conducting means comprising a metal
10 element which is mounted in the vicinity of the wick at such
a distance that, when the wick is burning, the flame heats
the metal element.
2. Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the reservoir is provided with a lid holding the wick and with a lamp glass thereabove while in
15 the lamp glass there is mounted a metal element, which forms part of the heat conducting means.
3. Air freshening apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the metal element is mounted in the lamp glass in the vicinity of, particularly above the
20 location of the wick, when burning.
4. Air freshening apparatus according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the holder forms an integral part of the apparatus.
5. Air freshening apparatus according to claim 2 and 4,
25 characterized in that the holder forms an integral part of the lamp glass.
6. Air freshening apparatus according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that at least part of the holder forms part of the heat conducting means.
- 30 7. Air freshening apparatus according to anyone of the claims 1-3, characterized in that the holder is replaceable and that the apparatus is provided with connecting means to connect the holder to the apparatus.

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8. Air freshening apparatus according to claim 7, characterized in that at least part of the connecting means or at least part of a contact surface between the holder and the apparatus forms part of the heat conducting means.
- 5 9. Air freshening apparatus according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the holder is provided with a porous wick to transport the active component out of the holder.
- 10 10. Air freshening apparatus according to any one of the preceding claims 1-8, characterized in that the holder is provided with one or more openings in the upper part thereof via which openings the active component can evaporate.
- 15 11. Combination of an air freshening apparatus according to claim 7 or 8 and a holder for an active component, such as a fragrance.
12. Holder for an active component, such as a fragrance, for use in an air freshening apparatus according to claim 7 or 8.

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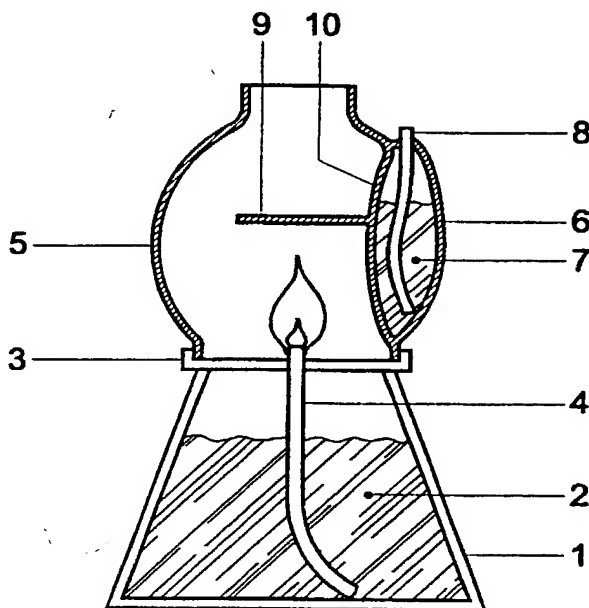
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(57) Abstract: An air freshening apparatus comprises a reservoir with a wick, which reservoir can be filled with a fuel, particularly with lamp oil, and heat conducting means for heat transport from the wick, when burning, to a separate holder for an active component, such as a fragrance. The holder may form an integral part of the apparatus or may be replaceable, in which case the apparatus is provided with connecting means to connect the holder to the apparatus.

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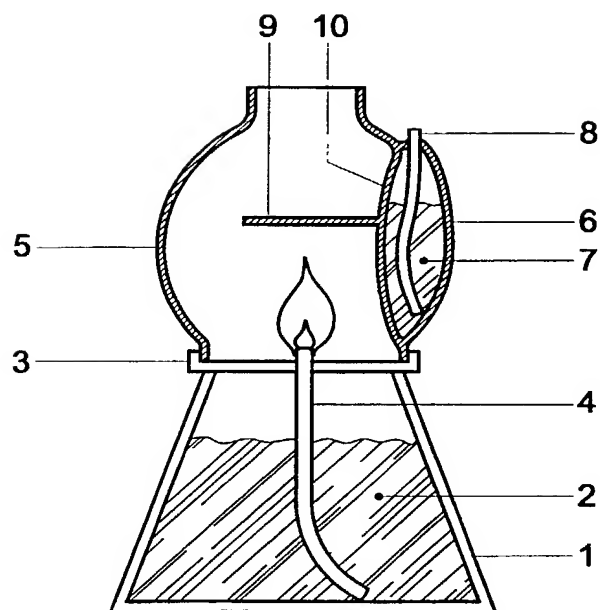


Fig. 1

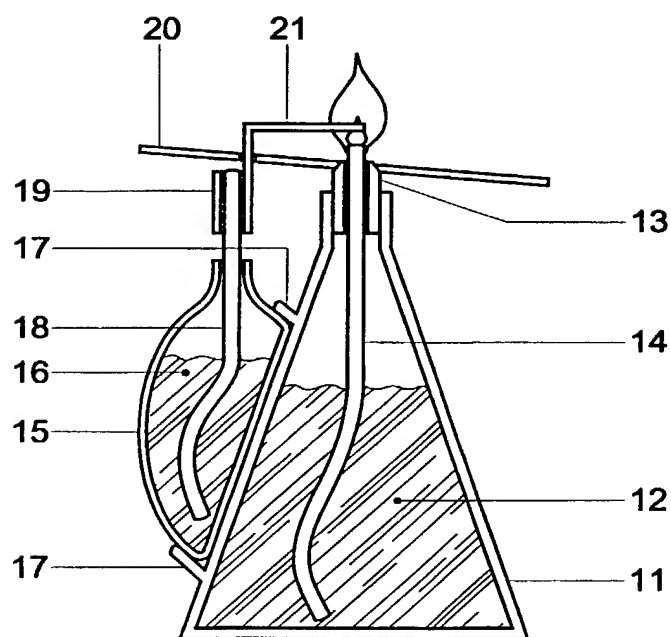


Fig. 2



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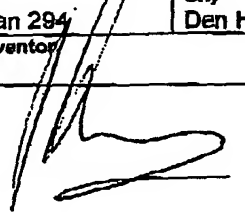


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